Morning Comment

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EUR/USD back above parity

Last week the ECB was guite clear that its number one priority is to get inflation back under control. It stated that following its 75bps hike, it expects to raise rates further over the next "several" meetings. The market is pricing around 100bps of rate increases over its two remaining meetings of this year. This hawkish mantra and singular focus on inflation was also evident from a raft of Fed speakers, including Fed Chair Powell. He stated that the Fed will do whatever it takes to bring inflation lower. The market is expecting circa 150bps of additional Fed rate hikes by end year.

Market reaction to the central bank newsflow was most evident in bond yields. Not surprising, given the moves from the ECB, Eurozone yields experienced the largest increases at the front end of the curve. The policy sensitive 2-year German bond yield was up over 25bps to above 1.3%. Meanwhile, the US Treasury equivalent saw a 17bps rise to bring it above 3.5%.

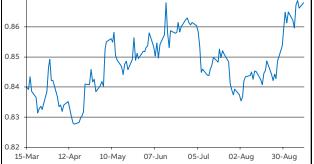
Currency-wise, the euro had a largely muted reaction to the ECB meeting. Indeed, the dollar remained in the ascendancy for much of the week. However, the dollar rally lost some momentum towards the end of the week. EUR/USD managed to get back above parity having started last Monday testing below the \$0.99 threshold. GBP/USD has regained the \$1.16 level. Elsewhere, EUR/ GBP edged higher into the upper half of 86-87p trading band.

Ahead this week, with the BoE meeting postponed (till Sept 22nd), the focus will be on the data calendar. In this regard, CPI inflation data from the US and UK will be closely assessed. Given that central banks are no longer providing forward guidance and are in 'data-dependent' mode there is the potential for currency markets to be more sensitive to macro releases. John Fahey, Senior Economist, AIB

Today's Opening FX Rates					
		% Change			
	_	Day *	End 2021		
EUR/USD	1.0092	0.21	-11.22		
EUR/GBP	0.8682	-0.09	3.36		
GBP/USD	1.1622	0.31	-14.10		
GBP/EUR	1.1511	0.09	-3.25		
USD/JPY	143.36	0.39	24.57		
EUR/JPY	144.71	0.60	10.58		
* v Previous Day's European Open					
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Opening Interest Rates						
		Money Market		Swap Rates		S
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	2.375	2.77	3.25	3.99	3.90	3.51
EUR	0.50	0.48	0.93	2.01	2.32	2.42
GBP	1.75	2.24	2.67	3.94	4.17	3.81

Euro/US Dollar Exchange Rate 1.12 1.10 1.08 1.06 1.04 1.02 1.00 0.98 15-Mai 12-Api 10-May 07-Jun 05-Jul 02-Aug 30-Aug Euro/Sterling Exchange Rate 0.87







All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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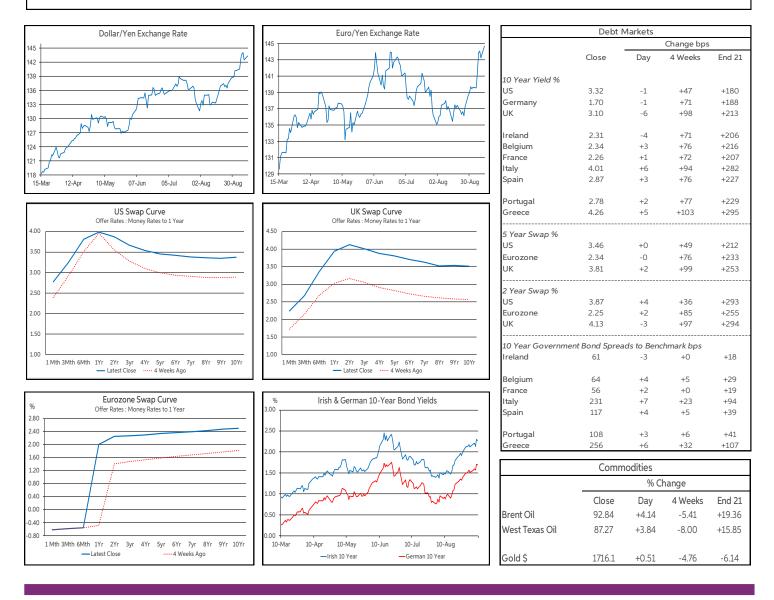
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Euro				
EUR/GBP	0.8682			
EUR/USD	1.0092			
EUR/JPY	144.71			
EUR/SEK	10.6702			
EUR/DKK	7.4363			
EUR/NOK	9.971			
EUR/CHF	0.9695			
EUR/AUD	1.4737			
EUR/HKD	7.9227			
EUR/CAD	1.3145			
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Sterling		
GBP/EUR	1.1511	
GBP/USD	1.1622	
GBP/CAD	1.5137	
GBP/NZD	1.9009	
GBP/JPY	166.61	
GBP/SEK	12.2834	
GBP/DKK	8.5618	
GBP/NOK	11.4808	
GBP/CHF	1.1163	
GBP/AUD	1.697	

Dollar				
USD/JPY	143.36			
USD/CAD	1.3024			
USD/CHF	0.9605			
USD/CNY	6.924			
USD/BRL	5.1462			
USD/RUB	60.85			
USD/INR	79.676			
AUD/USD	0.6848			
NZD/USD	0.6113			



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